

Sewer job has problems

Work is progressing on the new Wilmington sewer, but there are problems.

Most of these problems are in the northern part of the job (Segment 2), which begins near Wilmington Center and runs northerly.

In their meeting last week, the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commissioners discussed the problems, and voted to draft a letter to the contractor concerning these problems.

The contractor for Segment 2 is Pacella Bros., Inc. They won the bid on the contract by having an ace in their hand. They manufacture the 30-inch pipe used on the job.

The firm is also working a job in Lowell, where the engineers of Whitman and Howard report that there are few problems at all.

Work on Segment 2 has been taking place in two areas. The first area begins at Floradale Avenue and runs north into the Sweetheart Plastics property, Guildware Park. The second area begins near the old Middlesex Canal House, and extends onto Shawsheen Avenue.

Segment 1 is the leg that runs from Eames Street to Floradale Avenue, following the railroad tracks. The contractor for Segment 1, Masoncraft, has had relatively few problems. One problem was with a homeowner, and it has been resolved.

Segment 2 does not follow the tracks as closely, because of the location of the Sweetheart Plastics plant, and the Diamond Crystal plant. Segment 1 is

relatively free of obstacles, but Segment 2 more than makes up for that. The contractor for Segment 2 must deal with crossing the Ipswich River (also called Mill Brook), a 12-inch water main, a 13,000 volt buried cable, and a reservoir pond at Sweetheart. In addition, much of the ground in which the sewer is to be laid is peat, which causes problems both in the laying of the pipe and in the maintenance of the buildings at Sweetheart.

One source of problems on the job so far has been water mains. The work on Floradale Avenue was so extensive that the contractor had to replace the entire water main. The Water and Sewer Commissioners now say that the job was not done correctly. They claim that the main dips and rises.

Water service to families on Shawsheen Avenue has been disrupted several times, by the work in front of their homes.

Families on the end of Shawsheen Avenue have had access to their home sometimes completely cut off. At other times the only access is over the old railroad bridge. But that does not solve all the problems.

Part of the heat in the Gronemeyer home, the old Canal House, is by propane, the rest being by oil. The Suburban Propane driver will not drive his truck across the old railroad bridge. Gronemeyer hopes that the oil driver will feel differently, because he has only a week's oil left.

When that is gone, there will be no heat, unless Shawsheen Avenue is reopened.

But work on Shawsheen Avenue is progressing slowly. The large backhoe on that part of the job was under repair for most of last week. The hole in the middle of the street, nearly 20 feet deep, isn't going anywhere.

Meanwhile, the contractor is pumping water out of that hole. At first he was using diesel pumps, with no mufflers. After some protests, mufflers were installed. Now, electric pumps are in use.

The water pumped out of the hole is allowed to run along the course of the sewer easement toward Mill Brook. If it remains on the easement, it carries silt into a small bog, just north of Sweetheart Plastics. If it runs out of the easement, it floods the Gronemeyer's yard.

Sweetheart Plastics is not happy about the sewer work. Pacella is presently working in the parking lot of the plant, causing no small inconvenience. Sweetheart is worried about possible loss of their water or electric service, which could shut the plant down. The firm has relayed this concern to Pacella.

One of the obstacles on the Sweetheart property is a buried cable, carrying 13,000 volts. Another obstacle is the firm's reservoir, under which the sewer is to be installed.

But the greatest concern for Sweetheart is the relationship of the ground to their buildings. Much of the

land in the area is swamp, deep peat bogs. In the construction of the Sweetheart buildings, many pilings were sunk and fill was brought in. But the water table in the area remains high.

When the sewer job reaches Mill Brook, it will be necessary to keep the water out of the hole, so that the workmen can install the sewer. But the entire area cannot just be pumped dry, even if it were possible to do so. Such a loss of groundwater would severely endanger the buildings of Sweetheart Plastics. The engineer who was in charge on the Sweetheart construction has passed on. He cannot be consulted.

A series of test wells is to be sunk in the area, so that the Water Commissioners can keep tabs on the level of water table, as the job progresses.

Another aspect of the job is that when the contractor is working in wetland areas, such as at Mill Brook, they are subject to the order of conditions issued by the Wilmington Conservation Commission, relative to the sewer job.

Another point which worries the Water and Sewer Commissioners is a 12-inch water main, about 100 feet north of Mill Brook. It is connected directly to the Kelly Hill standpipe, which holds a major part of Wilmington's water supply.

The irony here is that the water main is the Water and Sewer Department's own obstacle. It is a case of they can't live with it, and they can't live without it.

The main is important to the water supply of the town. To shut it off would produce an effect on the water pressure in the area. But working near it could be treacherous. If the contractor should break that 12-inch water main, it would be a disaster. Anyone in the hole would not have a chance. It makes the Water Commissioners shudder to think about it.

Some of the problems with the job have to do with costs. Policemen on the job have been receiving pay as high as \$15 an hour. This does not make the Water Commissioners happy.

The contractor, Pacella, wants to



Slow going

Sewer construction on Shawsheen Avenue was slowed last week by repairs on this piece of equipment, which has been working in a hole nearly 20 feet deep.

use steel plates for protection while working in the 17-foot ditch. These plates cost \$600 a foot, with a total projected cost of \$80,000. The commissioners want to know where that money is to come from.

The Water Commissioners have had several complaints, in which it is alleged that the contractor's vehicles are trespassing, or in other ways "disregarding regulations." These complaints vary from lack of protec-

tion around deep holes, to poor quality of fill in easement areas, and the building of roads on private property for trucks to run on.

Neither are the commissioners happy about the condition of property where the work has taken place. Floradale Avenue is not at all in good condition, which is disturbing to the residents, who recently were assessed betterments for improvements to the street.

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Open house

The Friends of the Harnden Tavern have put out the welcome mat for an open house on Sunday afternoon. Details inside.

Three arrested

Three North Wilmington youths were arrested early Sunday morning in connection with the burning of a car.

The car burned at about 2:30 a.m. It had been parked in the town parking lot in North Wilmington.

Bail for two of the youths, ages 17 and 18, was set at \$100 each. The third youth, age 16, was released to his parents.

Heart victim on Fordham Road

A Natick man died on Fordham Road Saturday night, when he suffered a heart attack while driving. His car hit a pole, shortly after 9 p.m.

Frank Moore was taken to Winchester Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival. Wilmington Fire Fighters applied CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) enroute to the hospital.

Buses roll, bridge open

What could have been a crisis for several South Wilmington families has been averted.

School buses can still drive over the Butters Row bridge.

Wilmington has several railroad bridges. When built 125 years ago, they were the ultimate safety device. They kept the horses and buggies from being hit by trains.

But children do not travel to school in a horse and buggy. And recently, when a school bus drove over that bridge, a Registry of Motor Vehicles official stopped it. He said that the bridge was unsafe for school buses, and prohibited the town from sending buses over the bridge.

Superintendent of Schools Walter Pierce contacted Rep. Jim Miceli. Miceli went to the Mass. Dept. of Public Works, who sent out a crew to test the bridge. They determined it to be capable of holding a school bus.

School bus contractor Trombley Motor Coach has since been granted state permission to drive over the Butters Row bridge.

Rotarians honor five

For a Rotarian, the highest honor which can be bestowed is that of a Paul Harris Fellow.

Wilmington Rotary, on Wednesday, was privileged to honor five of its members as Paul Harris Fellows.

For the five new Fellows, it was a big surprise. The club went to great ends to keep the news from the men who were to receive the award. The men are, Henry Porter, Ray Fitch, Earle Hamilton, Ralph Swanson and Mike Weinberg.

The menu for the day was called Salat Fitch, Potatoes Hamilton, Squash Porter, Roast Beef Swanson and Ice Cream Weinberg.

Two of Wilmington's three Harris Fellows were in attendance, Dr. Henry Foster and Harold Foley. District Gov. Claude Hanley of Melrose presented the awards.

The award carries the name of the man who founded Rotary in Chicago in 1903. Members who materially assist in the work of the international organization are named Paul Harris Fellows.

Youth Hockey Holiday Fair

The Wilmington Youth Hockey Organization will sponsor a flea market and Christmas Santa's Fair indoors at the Wilmington Shopping Plaza from December 10 through the 18th with Saturday and Sunday hours of 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and weekday evenings from 6 to 9.

An adult donation of 25¢ (children accompanied by an adult, free) affords everyone a chance at a grand drawing for prizes as well as enjoying the vast variety of items available at the flea market.

Everything from Christmas gifts to antiques and collectibles to baked goods and best of all, Santa Claus. Santa has agreed to being photographed with children of all ages. These memorable photographs, framed in a folder, will make an exceptional Christmas gift for family and friends.

There are still a few spaces available for individuals and

organizations interested in participating in this pre-holiday event. Contact Norma MacDonald at 658-2557 for information and reservations.

Arrested for break at Cain's

Three people from Dorchester were arrested near the Fred F. Cain, Inc. garage early Friday morning, after a break into the building at 1:40 a.m.

Officer Joe Waterhouse brought in two, about 2:30 a.m. They were identified as Barry T. Roepell, and Paula Ann Wilkerson. Both are 20 years old.

Office Mike Celata brought in a third arrestee, about an hour later. He was identified as Stephen Slack, 24, also of Dorchester.

Entry was gained through a door on the south side of the building. An alarm, though, quickly scared the intruders off.

Boy dies in Forest Street mishap

A five-year-old boy died on Sunday after being hit by an oil truck on Forest Street in Wilmington Saturday.

Harold W. Holden was struck by a truck operated by a Medford man, George J. Tofuri. He is employed by the Fitzgerald Fuel division of Metropolitan Petroleum.

The accident occurred near Congress Street, about 11:40 a.m. The boy is reported to have run in front of the truck without looking. He was transported to Choate Memorial Hospital, where he died the next day.

Harold was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Holden of 60 Forest St.



Health Center speakers

A group of local volunteers has been organized to visit area clubs and organizations to give a presentation on the new Regional Health Center in Wilmington now under construction at the intersection of Routes 93 and 62.

Above at a recent speakers' program training session are (left to right) Mrs. Josephine O'Neil, Program Chairman Midge Mosher, Christine Twohig, John Brooks, Arnold Blake and Choate Hospital Community Relations Director Peter Nagle.

Arrangements for a speaker can be made by calling Choate Memorial Hospital at 933-6700, ext. 295.

Only one well?

In the special town meeting of October 5th the voters approved of the transfer of a sum of \$15,000 so that three wells could be dug, on Cook Hill, for the benefit of families living there. Each well was to cost \$5000 and the families would repay the cost to the town stretched over a 20 year basis of payments.

Since then Representative Miceli has introduced a special act in the legislature, and it has been voted, em-

powering the town employees to dig these three wells, in accordance with that vote.

Now it appears, only one well will be dug. One family has backed off, saying that the cost is too high. A second family, which already has a well, is considering making the old well do.

It could be that the town will dig only one well, from the top of Cook Hill.

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Christmas at Wilmington Library

Christmas programs for two different age groups—schoolers and one for children of all ages—are planned for the middle of December at Wilmington Memorial Library.

On Wednesday afternoon, December 14 anytime between 2:30 and 5:00, the older school age children are invited to drop in for tree trimming and wrapping paper art activities which will include stringing popcorn and cranberries for the Children's Room tree and making hand-some holiday gift wrap and ribbon using specially designed Christmas stamps and colored inks on tissue paper

and ordinary brown wrapping paper. The decorated papers will be taken home to wrap a present or two, and printed instructions will be available for those who want to make more at home. Simple refreshments and Christmas songs and stories will add to the festive atmosphere.

The annual pre-school party will be held Thursday morning, December 15 from 11:00 to 11:30 featuring Christmas films, music, refreshments. Kindergarten children enrolled in the afternoon session are also welcome.

No registration is required for either program. For more information call the Children's Room at 658-2967.

Michael Thibault in Boston concert

Berklee College of Music sophomore, Michael N. Thibault, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Thibault of 7 Geary Street, Wilmington will be a featured guitarist on Dec. 12, at 6:15 p.m., when the Berklee Guitar Ensemble is presented at the Berklee Recital Hall in Boston.

Under the direction of faculty member Thomas Szymczak, the eight-member ensemble will present a varied

program of works by such composers as Miles Davis and Mel Tormé, including arrangements by Szymczak.

Thibault, who majors in professional music, is being instructed by an internationally-acclaimed Berklee faculty among whom are award-winning vibraphonist Gary Burton, saxophonist-author John LaPorta and composer-arranger-big band leader Herb Pomeroy.

Minuteman Home Care needs senior aides

The Minuteman Home Care Corporation (MHCC) is offering part-time employment opportunities for individuals 55 years of age or older to work as Senior Aides. The eligible candidate must be physically and mentally capable of performing a variety of tasks, including telephone outreach, friendly visiting, office work, and others.

The Senior Aide program is federally sponsored under Title XX of the Older Americans Act. It is administered in Massachusetts by Bill Jackson of the Department of Elder Affairs, Boston. The purpose of the program is to provide meaningful employment to citizens over 55 who need additional income.

Senior Aides are placed in non-profit agencies such as Councils on Aging in the MHCC region. They receive personnel benefits beyond

their \$2.85 per hour pay rate. Other benefits include 40 hours of vacation time per year; 50 hours of sick leave per year; all State recognized holidays; partial health insurance coverage; employer share of FICA, workmen's compensation, unemployment compensation, and travel reimbursement.

A federal income limit has been established; persons receiving SSI are automatically eligible. Assets are not considered in determining eligibility, but income from assets is.

Supervision and training is provided for Senior Aides appropriate to their specific job situation. There is presently an Outreach Worker Senior Aides position available in Wilmington.

For further information and/or applications, contact Janet Banks, at 658-6200 or 263-8720.

Coming Events

Wednesday, December 7: Tewksbury School Committee meets at the Loella Dewing School at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, December 7: 8 p.m., Wilmington League of Women Voters R-129 Improvement Consensus Unit; 321 Salem St.

Thursday, December 8: Last day to return client evaluation questionnaires to the Wilmington Family Counseling Service.

Friday, December 9: Annual Lions Club Christmas party at the Elks Hall, Tewksbury.

Saturday, December 10: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Congressman Paul Tsongas mobil office van at Wilmington Plaza.

Saturday, December 10 through 18: Wilmington Youth Hockey Flea Market and Christmas Fair at Wilmington Plaza (indoors); Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; weekday evenings from 6:00 to 9:00.

Sunday, December 11: 2 to 5 p.m., "Ye Olde Fashioned Christmas Party" at Harnden Tavern, Wilmington.

Sunday, December 11: 4:30 p.m., Family Christmas Workshop "Christmas-Making" supper and worship at Tewksbury United Methodist Church.

Sunday, December 11: 3:30 p.m., at Methuen High School, Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Society holiday festival concert.

Tuesday, December 13: 8:15 p.m., St. Thomas' Women's Club will meet at Villanova Hall.

Charlotte Barker will address St. Thomas Women's Club

Charlotte Barker, TV personality, fashion model and commentator will present a humorous light hearted informative program on fashion and beauty at the regular meeting of St. Thomas' Women's Club.

Ms. Barker's presentation will follow a short business

meeting. The event will take place at 8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13 at Villanova Hall. Special music will also be presented and "grabs" exchanged after which dessert and coffee will be served. All members are asked to take along a \$2.00 grab.

Minuteman Home Care menu

Monday: Tomato Juice, Macaroni and Cheese, Spinach, Cranberry Nut Loaf, Whole Wheat Bread, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Tuesday: Boiled Dinner (Ham, Cabbage, Potatoes and Carrots), Mustard, Purple Plums, Rye Bread, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Wednesday: Minestrone Soup, Salisbury Steak with Gravy, Oven Brown

Potatoes, Lima Beans, Fresh Apple, White Bread, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Thursday: Blended Juice, Creamed Chicken, Fluffy Rice, Sliced Beets, Chocolate Pudding, Soft Roll, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Friday: Baked Fish with Lemon Wedge, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Peaches in Syrup, Corn Muffins, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Womens' Club meets Dec. 15

The next meeting of the Wilmington Women's Club will be held on Thursday, Dec. 15 at the United Methodist Church. The meeting will begin at noon with a Christmas tea served by the International Affairs Department. Following the business meeting Michael Shenkman of

the Middlesex-Cambridge Lung Association will offer "A History of Christmas Seals" along with a display of them.

A program of Christmas music presented by Carol Prasad will follow. Child care is available at all Women's Club meetings.

Ballroom dance classes

The Wilmington Recreation Department's Ballroom Dance Classes still have a few openings in the beginners, intermediates and advanced classes.

The classes are held on Monday evenings. If interested, call the Rec Office at 658-6512.

Shawsheen Tech menus

Monday: Scrambled Ham and Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Mixed Vegetables, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Pudding with Topping and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Baconburger with Lettuce and Tomato, Buttered Corn Niblets, Pudding with Topping and Milk.

Tuesday: Grilled Frankfurt, Homestyle Baked Beans, Potato Puffs, Mustard, Relish, Catsup, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Fruit in Syrup and Milk - or - Tomato Soup, Turkey Salad on a Roll with Lettuce and Tomato, Potato Chips, Pickles, Fruit in Syrup and Milk.

Wednesday: Italian Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Buttered Green Beans, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Jello with Fruit and Topping and Milk - or - Lemonade, Breaded Veal Cutlet with Tomato Sauce, Buttered Green Beans, Jello with Fruit and Topping and Milk.

Thursday: Sliced Roast Beef Au Jus Sauce, Whipped Potatoes, Brown Gravy, Buttered Carrots, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Home Style Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk - or - Meatball Submarine, Grated Parmesan Cheese, Carrot and Celery Sticks, Home Style Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk.

Friday: Baked Haddock Portions, Whipped Potatoes, Catsup, Tartar Sauce, Buttered Peas, Ice Cream and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad on a Roll, French Fries, Ice Cream and Milk.

LETTERS

Dear Larz:
Within the next two weeks, the Wilmington School Committee will be making a major decision regarding the Swain School.

A proposal will come before the school committee to turn the Swain School over to Wilmington High School as an extension to alleviate overcrowding. This will cause the transfer of the elementary school children to other schools in town.

At a recent meeting at the Swain School the enrollment figures indicated that within five to seven years the High School will be reaching the 960 pupil level that it was designed to handle.

The Swain School is a very fine neighborhood school that has been serving the children of the Central School District and should be allowed to continue to do so for years to come. At present the size of the six classes there range between 25 and 30 pupils in each class and to replace them with a lesser number of high school students would seem very unfair and impractical.

I hope that the parents of children in the Central School District (Swain, Buzzell and Walker) will make a concerted effort to keep the

Swain School open as an elementary school.

Yours very truly,
David F. Curran

Dear Larz:
It is seldom that I feel compelled to openly speak out about the affairs within our town, but I feel that this issue needs public awareness. On next Monday evening our School Committee will be acting on a recommendation to turn the Swain School into a High School addition.

If the optimum size of a High School class is 20 students, how can we, as parents, justify the 25-30 children per class on the elementary level. The foundation of a child's education (reading, math skills, and sciences), are laid in these most important years.

If the children, presently attending Swain School are absorbed into the other schools in town, larger class sizes will be the obvious result. Therefore the impact of this issue will ultimately be felt throughout the entire town. We need to re-examine the priorities involved here and not sacrifice one group of children for another.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to extend our most sincere thanks to the fire department and the ambulance attendant (Stewart and Fuller) for their assistance in our time of need.
Frank J. DeMarco Family

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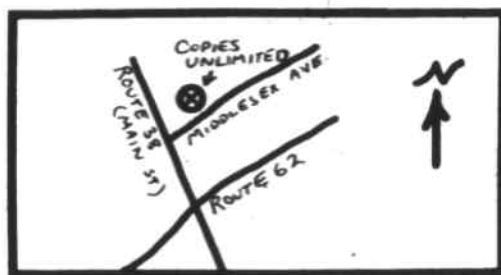
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Ken Wilson in Reading, Dec. 14

Wednesday evening, December 14 at eight pm Ken Wilson of Andover St., Wilmington, noted New England organist, is to present "Christmas in the Air" on the new organ in the new Masonic Temple, 110 Haven St., Reading.

Mr. Wilson has served as Director of Music for WHDH-TV. For 18 of his WHDH years, Kenneth Wilson was "Ken" of New England's highest rated music program, "The Ken and Bill Show."

For 12 years his followers enjoyed his 230 programs at the famous Hammond Museum, a medieval castle in Gloucester. He is commencement organist for Northeastern University, and performs regularly at the Methuen Memorial Music Hall.

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The Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458 of the V.F.W. in Wilmington hosted the top V.F.W. officers in the state on Saturday afternoon for a Council of Administration meeting. From left are State Commander Cornelius Sharron of Worthington, Nee Ellsworth Post Commander Atwood Dickson, Jr., of Dell Drive, Wilmington, State Senior Vice Commander Cliff Olson of Mattapan, and State Junior Vice Commander Thomas McDonald of Quincy.



Christmas
fair

At St. Dorothy's Church Christmas Fair, Laura Meegan of McDonald Road, Wilmington prepares the Nativity set for the opening of the fair.

Bits & Pieces

Birthdays
Wilmington Cemetery employee, Joe Bradley Jr., turned another page on December 3.

December 11 will mark the special day of Mike McCoy of Kenwood Ave., Wilmington and Detective Lt. Charlie Ellsworth of Marjorie Rd.

Barbara Larson of Middlesex Ave., Wilmington will observe her birthday on December 13 and will share greetings with John Reid of Lang St. John will be celebrating for the 15th time.

Elaine Baldwin of Jones Ave., Wilmington will blow out the candles for the 19th time on December 13.

David Vitt of Chandler St., Tewksbury will become a teenager on December 14 and will share his special day with Helen Tillotson of North St., Wilmington; Mark Esposito and Bill Liston, all of whom will be celebrating on December 14.

Billy Schultz of Westdale Ave., Wilmington will be a year wiser on December 15.

Freddy Antinarelli of Carey St., Wilmington and Van Murray of Lauren Ave., will share birthday greetings on December 16.

Mary Flaherty of Birchwood Rd., Wilmington will be serenaded by friends and relatives on December 17.

Golden Agers
Wilmington Golden Agers on the current birthday list include:

Amy Malone of Mass. Ave. and Otto Swenson of Adams St. both on December 11; Margaret Rossetti of Woodside Ave., on December 13;

Vera Rothwell of Salem St., and Frances Cesar of Main St., will all be celebrating on December 13.

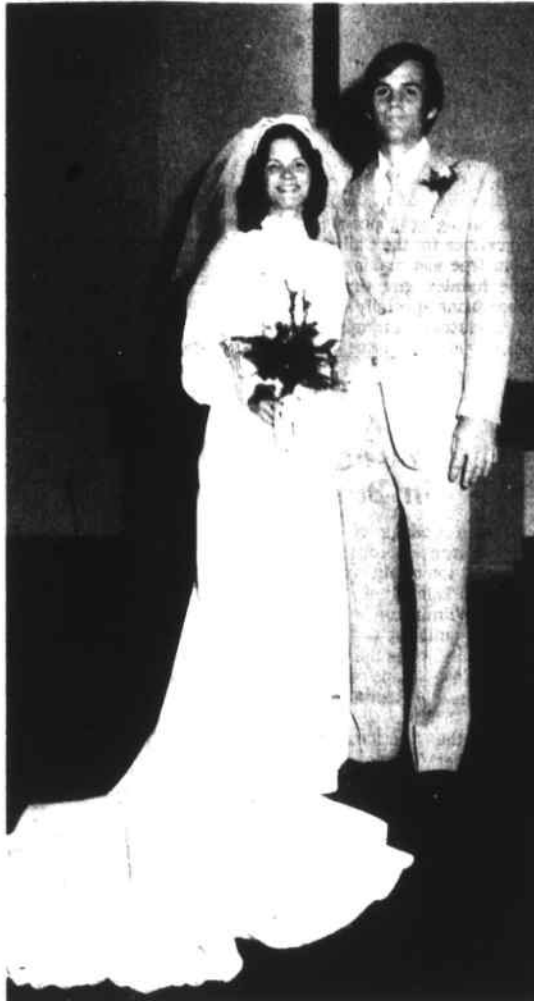
Elizabeth Tattersall of Grove Ave., will turn another page on December 16 and Elizabeth (Lizette) Cutter of Belmont Ave., will be serenaded by friends and relatives on December 17.

Anniversary
Carol and Ralph Ringer of Arnold Rd., Tewksbury will be dancing the Anniversary Waltz on December 22.

Nearer home
Atwood "Dickie" Dickson of Dell Drive, Wilmington was scheduled to be transferred this week from West Roxbury VA Hospital to the Woburn Rehabilitation Center.

"Dickie" has been hospitalized since a Boutwell Street automobile accident last May.

Lyn Lacey is bride of William Howell



Lyn D. Lacey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Lacey of 93A West St., Wilmington became the bride of William Ray Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Howell of Cole Camp, Mo. at the Wilmington Methodist Church on November 28. The 11 a.m. double ring ceremony was performed by assistant Pastor Daniel T. Moore. Mrs. Carolyn Stanhope served as organist.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride wore a gown of white silk organza. Chantilly lace trimmed the high neckline and long bishop sleeves. Sequins and Chantilly lace also formed a front panel and trimmed the detachable chapel train. A Camelot headpiece of matching lace held her silk tulle veil. She carried two white roses encircled with baby's breath and enhanced with long light blue streamers.

Laurie O'Donoghue of Wilmington acted as maid of honor. The bridesmaid was sister of the bride, Mrs. Frank Quinn of Londonderry, N.H. They were attired in sleeveless gowns of polyester, with cowl neckline, empire waist with long flowing coat with full length sleeves. The maid of honor's gown was gold and she carried a single yellow rose with long gold streamers. The bridesmaid's gown was bittersweet and she carried a matching single rose with streamers.

Laura Lacey, niece of the bride, of North Reading was flower girl, wearing an ivory colored gown featuring a lace trimmed Peter Pan collar with blue trim, multi-pleated overskirt with blue grosgrain ribbon sash. She carried a blue carnation with a butterfly adorning it and light blue streamers.

Fred Elmer Lang of Cole Camp, Mo. served as best man while ushering duties were in charge of brother of the bride, Gary Lacey. Larry Lacey, Jr., nephew of the bride was ring bearer.

A reception followed at the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elk's Hall in Tewksbury. The bride and groom greeted their guests at the door, from N.H., Mo., Ohio, Washington and Ma. as they arrived. Mrs. William Brown of Reading

circulated the guest book.

The mother of the bride chose a turquoise Chanel trimmed neckline gown, accented with wheat floral appliques with a flowing cape. Her corsage was a hot pink carnation with white baby's breath. The groom's mother was attired in a dark rust jersey gown with cowl neckline and long flowing skirt. Her corsage was a white carnation with pink roses.

The bride was graduated from Wilmington High School, Class of '77 and had worked at the Reading Savings Bank. Her husband is a 1973 graduate of Cole Camp High School and has recently completed three years service in the Army. He hopes to become a member of the Highway Patrol.

The couple left Sunday, to return to Missouri, where they plan to live.

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SPORTS

A conversation with Ken Palm

Youth, hustle fuel new WHS attitude

When last we left the Wilmington High School hockey team the state of affairs was more like that of Mary Hartman - Mary Hartman or Fernwood Forever. Last year's hockey campaign fell a little short of expectations and the reasons vary depending upon which "expert" you ask the question of - what went wrong?

Last winter's could-have beens, should-have beens, might-have beens and would-have beens, didn't measure up. That was last year. This season brings about one major change - new coach Ken Palm who will lead the Cats in their chase of the perennially powerful Billerica Indians.

After an eight year absence from the Wilmington High hockey system Palm is back at the helm as varsity head coach.

Ken ran the show at Wilmington 1966-69 and in 1969 the Wildcats were MVC champions. During the past few years he has been an assistant at Melrose and Burlington High and for the last four years he has been head coach at Haverhill.

Town Crier sports correspondent Larry McGrath talked to Palm last week as the Wildcats prepared for the MVC season beginning with this Saturday's Jamboree game against Tewksbury. Game time at the Billerica Forum is 12:30 P.M.

Q. Why did you leave Haverhill?
A. "My wife and I like Wilmington and the school system. My wife graduated from Wilmington High and

we feel that maybe we never should have left."

Q. Do you feel any pressure?

A. "None - let the chips fall where they may."

Q. Have you set any goals?

A. "Yes, one objective is to develop a proper attitude to play the game. As an outsider looking in, poor attitude such as penalties and fighting has given Wilmington a bad reputation."

The Wilmington kid is a very tough kid compared to other communities. For being one of the smaller schools in the league Wilmington has done well over the years. We hope to channel the aggressiveness in the right direction. Thus far I'm very satisfied, we've done little teaching of hockey, a lot of skating and are working on attitude. The kids are putting out some more than you can ask for."

W. What kind of year do you look forward to?

A. "With a new program and a new system it depends how quickly the kids can grasp it. We hope to be a good team before the end of it. The system? It's the oldest form of hockey there is."

Q. The strength, and weaknesses of the club?

A. "That's hard to tell. The right people in the right places is what we're looking for. In Saturday's scrimmage against North Reading I saw one line that moved the puck well. We have a lot of young people who may push a few seniors out of a job. The seniors are working hard."



Palm drills Wildcats

New Wilmington High hockey coach Ken Palm (white hat-dark jacket) puts his team through sprints at the close of Monday night's practice at the Billerica Forum.

We may keep 25 players. I just don't know."

Q. do you believe that Wilmington is in the same class as Billerica and Austin Prep?

A. "You're talking about a large public school system and a private or prep school. With Billerica, based on the numbers, we're not in the same category - we have to make up for it in heart and attitude."

Q. What about the MVC?

A. "We'll finish in the top eight, but I guarantee nothing except a lot of hustle. I figure Billerica, - they have their own rink, and a well established program. Austin prings in the best from surrounding communities and Chelmsford has a coach in his second year who did a tremendous job last year. Tewksbury produces a good, tough kid and Methuen could arrive in

their fourth year."

Q. As you see it, how would you improve Wilmington hockey?

A. "More communication between youth hockey and the high school level and clinics for coaches and players."

Q. Should the high school hockey coach be involved in youth hockey?

A. "As a coach or a member of the board of directors - no."

Q. Does the junior varsity program need improving?

A. "That's an area that needs a lot of work and organization and we are working on it. We must work with Youth Hockey so that the kids aren't skating twice in one day."

Q. What did you think of Midget Varsity type team this past fall?

A. "I thought it was a good idea at first, but I refused to watch them - I didn't want to make any pre-

judgements. All I heard was that they were doing more fighting than playing hockey."

Q. What do you think of these types of teams?

A. "I'd like to see the kids involved in football and soccer in the fall. I'm looking for the well-rounded athlete - not the hockey robot - not like other towns where the kids can't even dribble a basketball or vault a side horse."

Hockey has always been the winter sport in Wilmington. Palm has a tough job ahead of him contending with local fans who like their hockey played at a high level. His first priority is the molding of a solid club on the ice and he appears to be headed in the right direction in that respect when he says "we've got something to work with this year."

The MVC race

It is considered the best league around by some and it looks like another Indian hunt in 77-78. Billerica should be the choice to win followed by Austin with Wilmington, Chelmsford, Tewksbury and Methuen checking in as the MVC long shots.

The surprise of the conference could be the Methuen Rangers who have been building for four years. With their own rink, they could surprise a few people this winter.

Adult Hockey League

Arrowood holds top spot

Arrowood 5-Leo's Canteen 4
Wednesday, Nov. 30: Leo's started out strong as goals by Jon Davis (two), Alan Dunlevy and Joe Gedraitis staked Leo's to a big four-goal lead.

Greg Corcoran then ignited Arrowood with an unassisted tally to close the first period. Keith D'Entremont opened the second period to cut the lead to two and Snooky Lynch finished off Leo's as he scored the next three goals for the hattrick, which extended the unbeaten streak to 12 and gave them undisputed possession of first place.

Fred F. Cain 6-Blues 5
Wally Newell and Andy Costello had two goals each while Dino Esposito and Sandy Mack chipped in with solo markers as the Cainmen turned back the Blues.

Dan Yeadon (two), Rich Hunt (two) and Bill Leonard had the Blues' scores.

Bulldogs 8-No. Wilm. Shell 5
The Bulldogs, who found themselves trailing 5-1 entering the third frame, exploded for seven unanswered scores to upend the Shellmen in a wild contest.

The only two-goal scorers for the night were Brian Harvey and Gerry Pesatoro.

Bucko's 7-Bulldogs 2
Sunday, Dec. 4: Bucko's, rebounding from the upset loss to Leo's, rode the two-goal performances of Ken DeMaggio and Tom McNamara to break open a tight 2-1 game in the third period to halt the upset-minded

Bulldogs.

Arrowood 8-Blues 2

Sunday, Dec. 4: Arrowood continued to roll as they have now gone through the first 13 games without tasting defeat. Snooky Lynch led the assault as he had his second consecutive hattrick game, while Dave Irwin (two), Keith D'Entremont (two) and Greg Corcoran all helped the offensive display.

Hard luck goalie Wally Neal lost his shutout when Dan Yeadon and Bill Groom hit the twine with less than a minute remaining in the contest.

Leo's 3-Fred F. Cain 1
In a valiant effort, the undermanned Cainmen finally succumbed to two late third period Canteen scores and dropped a hard luck 3-1 contest.

Dino Esposito had given Cain's an early 1-0 first period lead only to have it tied in the second period by John Carlino. Alan Dunlevy got the game winner in the third period, while perennial scoring leader John Davis picked up an insurance marker late in the third period.

Tony Rosatti did an outstanding job in the nets for Cain's, and Leo O'Connell played well for the Canteen.

Standings	
Arrowood	10 0 3
Bucko's	9 1 3
Leo's Canteen	8 4 1
Bulldogs	6 7 0
Fred F. Cain	4 7 2
No. Wilm. Shell	3 9 0
Blues	0 12 1

Figure Skating Club hosts test session

The Wilmington Figure Skating Club recently hosted a United States Figure Skating Association test session at the Youth Ice Arena.

The session, under the direction of test Chairman Frank Armstrong and his committee accommodated 27 skaters representing the Wilmington club as well as many figure skating clubs in the area.

In contrast to other test sessions conducted in the past, this session was devoted primarily to free style testing in order to comply with the newly adopted rules of the USFSA in which skaters must pass free style as well as school figures in order to be eligible for competition.

Club members who passed the preliminary free style test were:

Jennifer Armstrong, Christine Cooke, Gretchen Ede, Kelly Glynn, Gail Hanson, Denise Hasenstab, Sharon Lord, Linda Marsolini, Lisa McFarland, Maryellen Moscarillo, Lynne Murphy, Kimberly Pacholski, Amy Beth Scott, Pamela Skeffington and Dale Titus.

Florence Ryan headed the hospitality committee that provided a buffet luncheon for the panel of judges.

Badge test results
The following Wilmington skaters received badges at the first badge test session conducted at the club this season:

Badge One: Kristen Peters, Heather Keiley, Terri Constantino, Laura MacEachern, Mary Beth Lawson, Darlene Callahan, Christina Favero, Tracy Naimo, Collene Pierce, Doreen Scolastico, Norman Willey, Kristen Valletta, Christopher Cogan, Ann Rich, Diane Blonigen, Carol Tuxbury, Margee Peterson,

Janice Craig, Kathy Florio, Monica Stemmler, Alice Sarasin, Terri Cassidy, Jan Wright, Jane Crane, Par Arcasi.

Badge Two: Kristen Peters, Heather Keiley, Darlene Callahan, Collene Pierce, Doreen Scolastico, Norman Willey, Christopher Cogan, Ann Rich, Diane Blonigen, Carolyn Tuxbury, David Rich, Linda MacDonald, Kathy Florio, Monica Stemmler, Kim McBay, Debbie Palmer, Alice Sarasin, Linda Pettigrew, Terri Cassidy, Jan Wright, Jane Crane, Pat Arcari.

Badge Three: Nancyne Sullivan, Norman Willey, Diane Blonigen, Michelle Carideo, Cheryl Ward.

Badge Four: Norman Willey, Michelle Masella, Gina Orlando, Cheryl Ward.

Badge Five: Norman Willey, Andrea Ausiello, Michelle Raso, Irene McFadyen.

Badge Six: Judy Mantini.

Badge Seven: Pamela Mugford, Judy Mantini.

Badge Nine: Pat Beauchaine.

Badge Ten: Ann Domigan, Jennifer Armstrong, Kelly Donovan.

Badge Eleven: Jennifer Armstrong, Kelly Donovan.

Badge Twelve: Cindy Poole.

Tewksbury skaters who participate in the program passed the following badges:

Badge One: Kim Zuccola, Debra Zuccola, Pam Wood, Dolly Farino, Mary Lombard.

Badge Two: Colleen Roche.

Badge Five: Michelle Hurley, Penny Thomas.

Badge Six: Rhonda Hubley.

Badge Seven: Cheryl Gendron.

Cameron at Bridgton

Wilmington's Kevin Cameron has just completed a successful season at defensive tackle for the Bridgton Academy football team that finished with a 3-3 record.

Cameron is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Cameron of 14 Liberty St., Wilmington. He is a High Honors student at Bridgton, after graduating from Shawsheen Tech in Billerica.

The postgraduate preparatory

school posted wins over Springfield College (31-0), University of Maine at Orono (34-27), and Norwich University (18-6), with the losses being to Boston College (22-0), University of New Hampshire (14-6), and Boston University (21-17).

Bridgton's schedule is composed of college subvarsity teams.



Quiet guys

The Wilmington Youth Hockey Bantam B team had its official noisemakers - Bill Beliveau (L.), and Scott McKenzie (R.) on hand for Sunday night's win at the Burlington Ice Palace.

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Youth Hockey Highlights

Bantam B's sink Somerville 3-2

Wilmington's Bantam B's held tight minus four of their regular players in Sunday night's Middlesex League action to nip Somerville 3-2 behind a 21-12 shooting edge and the goaltending of Scott Campbell.

Brian McLean netted the game winner in the third period after Somerville had battled to knot the score at 2-2. Wilmington took a 2-1 lead in the second period on goals by Mark Deyab and Frank Newark. John Cushing had the assist on both second period scores. Craig Richards and Ronnie Greenberg turned in outstanding jobs defensively for the winners.

Saturday Duggan's gang battled Medford to a 2-2 tie with Billy Redler in goal. The B's built up a 3-0 lead in the second period on scores by Richards and Newark. Ted Moran and Billy Robinson picked up the helpers in the middle period. Wilmington had gotten on the board in the first period when Donny Josephson scored assisted by Darryl MacDonald.

Medford chopped into the lead to score two second period goals to make the score 3-2. Medford found the range again in the third period to tie the game at 3-3 before Josephson pocketed the goahead goal on assists from Chuck McNeil and Frank DeVita. With 34 seconds left in the game Medford scored for the deadlock. Wilmington held a 24-22 shots on goal edge.

The next Bantam B game is a 1:10 P.M. tilt with Winchester at Burlington Ice Palace.

Bantam A's blast Waltham

The Bantam A's scored four goals in each of the first two periods to put the game away. Rick Zambarnardi and Joby Duggan led the scoring parade with two goals and three assists apiece, with Brian Butler and Keith Ford netting two goals and two helpers each. Jim Conti had the other Bantam goal.

Assists went to DeVita with two and

Donny Josephson, Donny Foley, and Bob Lowney with one each. Netminder Jeff Lux stopped 23 Waltham shots. The team killed a three minute shorthanded situation in the third period - scoring at the halfway mark of the penalty.

The next A games are Thursday night at the WYIA vs Reading in a 9:35 P.M. start and Sunday at the Burlington Ice Palace against Newton in a 4:20 p.m. start.

Squirt A's traveling team

The Squirt A's ran into two potent hockey clubs over the weekend as Winthrop on Saturday, then Cambridge on Sunday, provided the A's with large doses of hockey trouble.

Winthrop, loser of only one game all season, skated well to down Wilmington 3-1. Winthrop opened the scoring early in the second period and led 1-0 until Dave Richards finished off a power play pass from Dave Fuller to knot the score at 1-1. The tie was broken by Winthrop a minute later and that 2-1 edge stood up through several opportunities for both teams until late in the third period when a tired A team surrendered the clincher.

The newly organized power play of Rob Palmer and Tom Craig on the points, and Richards, Bill Woods and Dave Fuller up front, played good hockey this past weekend.

Sunday brought Cambridge to town for the second Youth Hockey League outing of the weekend. With only one second left in the first period, a drive on netminder Bill Wolfe hit his stick and rolled loose, accounting for a 1-0 Cambridge lead. Dave Richards brought his team back at the three minute mark of period two, with the helpers going to Dave Fuller and Dave Lux. The visitors again took the lead only 10 seconds later as the second period ended 2-1.

The Squirts wouldn't let this one slip away and got stronger as period three ticked away. They tied the score at

the 8:31 mark with Dave Richards bagging his second of the game and his third of the week, with Dave Fuller assisting again. Mike Newhouse also picked up an assist on the play. The game ended with Wilmington dominating in the Cambridge end.

Coming up this week: Waltham on December 7 at 6:40 p.m.; Billerica on December 10 at 2:40 p.m.; and Newton on December 11 at 8:30 a.m. The Waltham and Newton games are at the Ice Palace, with the Billerica tilt at the WYIA.

Squirt B's nip Winchester

The Squirt B's continued their winning ways in the Middlesex Hockey League as they beat Winchester 6-2. Wilmington took the action to Winchester early and often in the first period.

John McLaughlin scored a goal on an assist from Chris Atharasia to send the team up 1-0. Steve Zuccarro then converted a pass from McLaughlin for a 2-0 lead before Mike Stuart made a sensational effort as he dove to deflect home a pass from McLaughlin to give Wilmington a 3-1 lead at the end of the first period.

Tom Bachand showcased the B's specialty of scoring with little time on the clock as he put one behind the Winchester goalie with 10 seconds left in the second period.

Eric Ouellette scored on a beautiful pass from Steve Zuccarro and Jay McFadyen banged home a rebound from a Sean Brennan shot to complete the scoring.

This was a strong game for the defense as Needham, Bere, Hunt, Jeff Brennan and O'Reilly kept Winchester off the puck for most of the game. When a challenge was made Brian Surrette and Kevin Sutton had the answer with some big saves in goal.



Save Campbell

Bantam B goaltender Scott Campbell sprawls to the ice after dropping a Somerville shot that Craig Richards races in to clear.

Boys Jamboree bites the dust for this year

The Merrimack Valley Conference boys basketball Jamboree has bitten the dust - due largely to financial reasons - for this year at least. Commissioner Ed Murphy made the decision at a meeting of Athletic Directors three weeks ago when it was felt that the five 20 minute games at the University of Lowell fieldhouse were an expensive proposition that probably wouldn't be worth the schools' while to hire the people necessary to put the roundball showcase on. In recent years the Jamboree hasn't been a financial gem with the dwindling attendance figures.

Tewksbury High Athletic Director Michael Sullivan, who is commissioner of the MVC girls basketball conference, termed the Murphy decision a "blockbuster," saying that he hadn't really expected it. "It was a case of going to the well once too often," related Mickey. The Christmas Tourney is slated for the Lowell fieldhouse December 26, 27 and 29.

It was more a case of finances than anything else however. "It is the commissioner's prerogative to cancel the Jamboree," said Sullivan before

reading a list of the people who must be paid for an event of this size to be run smoothly. Two officials must be paid along with a custodian, a matron, two ticket takers, and one or more police officers. The Jamboree is run at the expense of the host school with any excess funds going to the MVC for All-Star trophies and the like.

Sullivan related that Murphy probably had "good reasons" for the cancellation, but admitted that the idea of a sports jamboree was a good one that should be preserved.

"I liked the idea of a Jamboree as a coach - it's the one time when everyone gets a chance to participate and you get a look at the other teams around the conference and what they have. An important part of the pre-season exhibitions was that other coaches and fans got to see the heralded players first-hand and didn't have to depend on second hand information.

Hopefully next year the Jamboree will be revived and won't go the route of the football jamboree and sail into oblivion. Of course we have Billerica's Clyde Meyerhoffer to thank for that when he gave his junior varsity the first string numbers in a brilliant decoy move several years

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back. The basketball cancellation can be blamed on no one person although one MVC coach disliked the idea of the basketball commissioner being naturally preoccupied with a 9-1 football team shortly before the basketball season gets underway.

Girls Jamboree

The girls basketball Jamboree will be played this Friday night (Dec. 9) at the Tewksbury Memorial High School with Chelmsford and Wilmington tapping off at 6 p.m. Andover takes on Lawrence in the second game at 6:45, followed by the Methuen-Billerica tilt at 7:30. Host school Tewksbury will battle Dracut in the windup starting at 8:15. Each game will consist of two eight minute periods. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and .75 for students.

Ask the Referee

The resident Town Crier umpire has suited up for the basketball season and will begin his "Ask the Referee" column on these pages later this month. Dave Magee, Director of Officials for the Tewksbury Adult Basketball League and a veteran high school ref, will answer any officiating questions that readers might have. Dave penned the "Ask the Umpire" column in the Crier this past summer.

Official decision

Fighting is officially deplored, in all good hockey games, but it breaks out more often than not. Such a sideline on the part of the players is, sometimes one of the highlights of an evening.

Last weekend, at the Wilmington Youth Ice Arena, two teams of little fellows were playing. Two opposing players came to a difference of opinion, and started to trade punches.

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Rec ski program

The Wilmington Recreation Department is offering a new five-week "learn to ski" program at Boston Hills Ski Area in North Andover.

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Each Wednesday afternoon from January 4 to February 1, the skiers will be bussed from the Swain School to the ski area and back to the Swain at the conclusion of the session.

Approximate time sequence is: 2:30 p.m. (leave Swain); 2:50 (arrive at ski area); 3:3-4:5 (lessons or free ski); 4:45-5:30 (lessons or free ski); 5:10 (arrive at Swain). Everyone will take a lesson and a free ski period at each session.

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Wednesdays following February 1, as conditions permit.

Cost is \$27.00 per skier. Those wishing to rent equipment may do so at a cost of \$4.00 per session.

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TEWKSBURYBOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 27, 1977 at 7:30 P.M., on the application of Mr. & Mrs. Edward N. Dean, for a variance from the requirements of Section 5.3.3 of the Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws to install an inground swimming pool located at 2 Green Street, premises located in a Residential District.

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 27, 1977 at 7:45 P.M., on the application of Frances Komias for a variance from the requirements of Section 5, Paragraph 3.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws for an existing dwelling located at 110 Walnut Street, premises located in a Residential District.

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 27, 1977 at 8:00 P.M., on the application of Cyr Oil for a variance from the requirements of Section 5.3, Paragraph 1-4 and for a special permit under Section 4.6, Paragraph F of the Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws to accommodate a convenience store at 1049 Main Street, premises located in a Light Industry District.

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 27, 1977 at 8:15 P.M., on the application of Governor Realty Trust for a variance from the requirements of Sections 4 & 5, Paragraphs 4.7.1-4.7.3.5.5 of the Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws to construct multiple family dwellings located between 1497 and 1499 Main Street, premises located in a General Business District.

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 27, 1977 at 8:30 P.M., on the application of Bernard & Barbara Hanson, for a variance from the requirements of Section 4.6 of the Tewksbury Zoning By-Laws for the removal of gravel abutting 496 Pine Street, the parcel containing 25+ acres of land, premises located in a Residential District.

Robert A. Greenleaf, Chmn.

D7.14 Board of Appeals

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Robert C. Gilbert late of North Reading in said County deceased. A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by George L. Orbes of North Reading in the County of Middlesex praying that he, or some other suitable person, be appointed administrator with the will annexed of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of December 1977, the return day of this citation. Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of November 1977.

William F. Chisholm, Acting Register

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Earl Stafford late of North Reading in said County deceased. A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by William C. Skelley, Junior of Wakefield in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-second day of December 1977, the return day of this citation. Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of November 1977.

William F. Chisholm, Acting Register

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Michael Fay late of Wilmington, in said County, deceased. You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first and final account of Catherine O'Brien as Administratrix (the fiduciary) of said estate has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before the third day of January, 1978, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request be registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account.

If you desire to object to any item of said account, you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item, together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of November, 1977.

William F. Chisholm, Acting Register

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Ronald Joseph Caserio, Defendant. To the above-named Defendant, a complaint has been presented to this Court by your spouse, Gail Lois Caserio, seeking divorce for cruel and abusive treatment, non-support, custody of the minor children, and support for herself and minor children.

You are required to serve upon Carolyn N. Famiglietti plaintiff - plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Greater Boston Legal Services 14 Somerset St., Boston your answer on or before January ninth, 1978. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Middlesex Probate, 20 Second St., E. Cambridge. WITNESS, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esq., First Judge of said Court at Cambridge.

William F. Chisholm, Acting Register

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OBITUARY

Harold W. Holden
was five years old

Harold W. Holden, five-year-old son of Gordon A. and Ethel E. (Roberts) Holden of 60 Forest St., Wilmington died at Choate Memorial Hospital on Sunday from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident on Saturday.

Besides his parents, Harold is survived by his two brothers, Gordon A., Jr., Eric W.; his sister Tammy J. Holden all of Wilmington; his maternal grandparents, Bertha and Harold Lupton of

Dracut; his paternal grandparents, Alice and Gordon Holden of Billerica and his maternal great-grandmother, Edith Lindquist of Lowell.

Graveside services were held on Tuesday at Tewksbury Cemetery at 10 a.m. followed by Memorial Services at Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall, Wilmington on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Arrangements were in charge of the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St., Wilmington.

An important service

He was out of work for more than a year and a half - and feeling very down about it. Not anymore. The reason is that he is now working and supporting his family. So, in fact are five other men - all employed in a land improvement project for the town of Wilmington, and funded by Medford Ceta.

"If it wasn't for Medford Ceta's contribution of \$76,950," says Wilmington's Assistant Town Manager, Peter Holmmeister, "this one year project would not have been budgeted."

The funding primarily goes for the salaries of the six men, engaged right now, in using adjacent property to expand a 45 acre town cemetery. This involves clearing the land of

trees, brush, grading, general landscaping; plus defining and marking the cemetery lots.

According to Holmmeister, "These men are providing an important service to this town, because, at the moment there are no more cemetery lots left."

He indicated that they would soon be involved in another phase of this project, creating a recreational area out of 150 acres of recently acquired town forest. Duties will entail constructing hiking trails, and clearing the land for picnic and parking lot spaces.

Of course, the most important benefit is to these working men themselves. It is the compelling reason behind Medford Ceta's funding.

A-caroling
they will go

The Wilmington Girl Scouts will be caroling for the senior citizens at Denning Way on Sunday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m. After singing they will be treated to cider and donuts.

For Tewksbury Girl Scouts, the caroling will be on Tuesday, December 13, at 6:30

p.m., starting at Carnation Drive for the senior citizens. They will then go to the library, fire station and will end up at the Town Hall, to be greeted by the selectmen. Refreshments will be served to the girls after caroling. The public is welcome.

Bits & Pieces

Holiday festival
The Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Society will present a holiday festival concert Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3:30 p.m. at Methuen High School. Tickets are \$3 per person; \$2 for senior citizens and \$1.50 for students. Tickets will be available at the door.

From the fire log
Members of Wilmington's Fire Dept. answered 20 calls for assistance last week including:
Twelve ambulance runs; four false alarms; one dumpster fire; two car fires and one service call.

Wilmington United
Methodist Church

The Rev. Richard L. Evans, pastor, 658-8217; Daniel T. Moore, asst. pastor, 658-2912; Office, 658-4519.

Sunday, Dec. 11: 8:45 a.m., Early Worship and Communion; 10 a.m., Family Worship and Sermon, School of Christian Living, classes for children through grade six; 11:15 a.m., Good News Singers rehearsal; 2 to 4 p.m., Old Fashioned Christmas party; 6 p.m., Prayer Fellowship; Junior and Senior MYF; 7:30 p.m., Couple's Growth Group.

Monday, Dec. 12: 7:30 p.m., Administrative Board.

Tuesday, Dec. 13: 7:30 p.m., Commission on Missions, Chancel Choir rehearsal; 8:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday, Dec. 14: 12 p.m., Esther Circle Luncheon; 7:30 p.m., Board of Trustees; Miriam-Rebecca-Sarah Circles.

Thursday, Dec. 15: 9:30 a.m., Bible study with child care, Women's Club; 7 p.m., Webelos 59; 7:30 p.m., Bible study - Church Library.

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Tewksbury School
lunch menu

Monday: American Chop Suey, Buttered Green Beans, Rolls and Butter, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

Tuesday: Turkey-Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Carrots, Roll and Butter, Jello with Whipped Topping and Milk.

Wednesday: Juice, Tuna Salad Roll, Carrot and Celery Sticks, Glazed Fruit Cake and Milk.

Thursday: Homemade Tomato Soup with Macaroni, Frankfurt in a Roll, Mustard and Relish, Raisin Cookie and Milk.

Friday: Juice, Tomato and Cheese Pizza, Garden Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

The Bible Speaks
in Wilmington

The Rev. Steve Quinlan, pastor; Mac Cassidy, asst. pastor; 658-6951.

Thursday, Dec. 8: 7:30 p.m., Youth study, Congregational Church, Rt. 62, Wilmington.

Friday, Dec. 9: 7:45 p.m., Bible study, 7 Frost St., Charlotte Dunning School, Framingham.

Saturday, Dec. 10: 7:45 p.m., Bible study, 85 Salem St., Lawrence.

Sunday, Dec. 11: 10:30 a.m., Sunday service, West Intermediate School, Wilmington; Sunday School and nursery are held during services; service title - "Do you Have Unconditional Love?"

Monday, Dec. 12: 7:45 p.m., Bible study, Congregational Church, Doctor Carl Stevens and Pastor Steve Quinlan may be heard Monday through Friday from 10 to 11 a.m., on WRYT 9.50 radio, Boston.

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Chris Cantrell on intern assignment

Christopher M. Cantrell, a senior at New Hampshire College in Manchester, recently received his management internship assignment for the fall semester. Cantrell is interning at Radio Shack in Pelham Plaza, New Hampshire. He is a former resident of North Wilmington. The semester-long internship program at the four-year college of business administration gives management majors practical work experience in management, marketing, sales and other business fields. Christopher is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cecil W. Cantrell, Jr. At New Hampshire College, Cantrell is active as a Congressman in the Student Government Association; Director of Public Relations in the SGA; was listed in Who's Who Among American Universities & Colleges in 1976-77; was on the President's and Dean's List; member of the American Marketing Association; College Council, Student Life Committee, NHC Food Committee, Executive Council Director, Treasurer of the Outing Club and a member of the Volleyball Club.

Tewksbury United Methodist Church

The Rev. J. Warren Jacobs, Pastor: 658-9551.
Friday, Dec. 9: 3:30 p.m., Girl Scouts.
Sunday, Dec. 11: 10 a.m., Worship and Church School; 11 a.m., Coffee Hour; 4:30 p.m., Christmas Workshop; 6 p.m., Celebration service; 8 p.m., Christmas Concert rehearsal; 9 p.m., Gamblers Anonymous.
Monday, Dec. 12: 3 p.m., Girl Scouts; 7 p.m., Girl and Boy Scouts.
Tuesday, Dec. 13: 3 p.m., Confirmation Class; 7 p.m., Junior Folk Choir.
Wednesday, Dec. 14: 9:30 a.m., Diet Workshop; 2:30 p.m., Brownies; 7 p.m., Diet Workshop; 7:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous.
Thursday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m., Bible study; 1:30 p.m., Casa Grande Nursing Home; 7:30 p.m., Council on Ministries; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous.



Smiling Brownies

At the Shawsheen School, Tewksbury, the local Girl Scouts held their annual Christmas Fair with l. to r., Sandra Story, Tanya Merten, Brenda Story and Cheryl DiPalma all Brownies of Wilmington, wait their turn to purchase gifts for presents.

BIRTHS

BARDEN: Richard Michael, second child, second son to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Barden Jr. of Pine Street, Methuen on November 30 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Kelley of Fairmeadow Rd., Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Barden of High Street.

HEIDER: Michael Joseph, Jr., second child, first son to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Heider of 38 West St., Westford on October 31 at Lowell General Hospital.

Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Jack Knowlton of 175 Wildwood St., Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heider Sr. of 396 Woburn St., Tewksbury.

NIGRELLI: Kathryn Claire, third child, third daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James T. Nigrelli of Washington Ave., Woburn on November 29 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Mrs. Edith Gonzales of Richard Circle, Woburn and Mr. and Mrs. Cosimo Nigrelli of

Dorothy Ave., Wilmington.

ROACH: Kevin John, second child, first son to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Roach of 108 Grove Ave., Wilmington on November 19 at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. V.J. Chartier of Windcrest Ave., Pointe Claire, Quebec and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Roach of Franklin St., Stoneham.

WHITE: Elizabeth Mary, third child, third daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. White of Grand St., Reading on November 24 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and

Mrs. Edward Irwin of Turkey Hill Rd., Merrimack, N.H. and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. White of Washington Ave., Wilmington.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Annie J. White of Wilmington and Louis E. Hanks of Stoughton.

TWOMEY: Tyler Whitnell, to Mr. and Mrs. Neal Twomey of Sylvan St., Danvers on November 27 at Salem Hospital. Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Whitnell of Kenwood Ave., Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Twomey of Glen Burnie, Maryland.



Sweet counter

At St. William's Church Christmas Fair, Mrs. Ruth Lonergan, left prepares some of the candied apples at the sweet candy counter. Mr. Kay Purtell is purchaser.



Artist & officer

Sales were rather quite last Saturday at the art sale of the Wilmington Women's Club, but artist Lynette West and club Vice President Julia Fielding managed to smile. The art in the foreground is Lynette's.



New offices

A ribbon cutting ceremony was recently held at the newly renovated building on Middlesex Avenue in Wilmington, near Main Street. Once known as the Chief Hill House, it is now an office building occupied by DSI Enterprises and Copies Unlimited. From left, Rep. Jim Miceli, Adeline Davidson, Albert Davidson, Selectman Dan Gillis, Debby Davison, Marion Davison, and Dave Scott.



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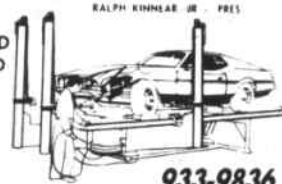
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Caleb Harriman and the Wilmington Fire Department

If there is a subject on which a book could be written in Wilmington, that subject is Caleb Harriman.

For the past few months, from time to time, there have been stories in this paper relative to the early days of the Wilmington Fire Department. It is inevitable that such a series of stories some day would arrive at a discussion stage relative to Caleb Harriman.

But to talk of just the Fire Department and Caleb would be wrong, in that many other facets of the story of Wilmington would be overlooked - grossly overlooked.

The Whitefield School, for one thing, just a little thing. It is in North Wilmington, and was so named because an early Methodist preacher, the Rev. George Whitefield is thought to have preached to the Indians nearby, nearly 250 years ago.

But it was Caleb Harriman who was chairman of the school committee, about 75 years ago, at the time the school was built.

The Wilmington Lodge of Masons - Friendship Lodge. Caleb was one of the early members of that lodge, and one of the men who were addressed as "Worshipful Master." His picture can be seen in the dining room, (downstairs) in the Masonic Building - high collar and all.

The Reading Bank, in Wilmington, in the place where Joseph McMahon was for so many years the clerk and manager. Caleb brought that bank to Wilmington.

Harriman's Tannery. Books can be written about the tannery in North Wilmington, which for nearly 100 years provided work for the families of Wilmington. Caleb operated the tannery for nearly 50 years, and many a Wilmington family had a daddy and perhaps a grand daddy who worked there. Selectman Danny Gillis of Wilmington worked there, just after he got out of High School - in the Beam Room, if the writer recalls correctly. It was quite a job. Hard work, and not too much pay. Danny can tell a lot of stories. Danny, for instance, can tell the story of why Caleb Harriman was called "turtle neck," back in the 1930s.

It is a story that has an element of humor. Possibly some day the Town Crier will be able to tell it.

Caleb Harriman was born in Kansas, where his father and his uncle had gone after the Civil War, to take up farming. His father died soon after, and Caleb, a four-year-old boy, went, with his mother, a Manning, back to Groveland, Mass. Eventually she moved to South Boston, and then to Winchester, where she became the housekeeper for a family named Perry.

That Perry family owned part of a tannery in Wilmington, near the railroad tracks in North Wilmington - the Perry & Cutler tannery, which had started back before the Civil War. Sam Perry, of High Street, Wilmington was a member of that Perry family, and when Mrs. Harriman married a Perry, Sam and Caleb became some sort of relative by marriage - not step brothers - but some such relationship.

Sam Perry, a Winchester man who lived in Wilmington nearly all his life, preferred to be a cabinet maker and a pattern maker. It was he who made the first pattern for the Gillette Safety Razor. He could have inherited the ownership of the tannery, back about the days of the Spanish American

War, but he preferred not to.

Thus, the tannery devolved upon Caleb Harriman, who was by this time a graduate pharmacist. For some years, about 75 years ago, the tannery was known as the Perry - Harriman tannery.

Caleb was a hard man, but one with his own sense of justice, which he firmly administered.

Danny Gillis can tell of that sense of justice. So can Rusty Brabant, of Oak Street, who was, for many years the shop steward for the union in the tannery. Rusty had more than a few words with Caleb, on more than a few occasions, but they always ended up in a friendly manner.

Anyway, sometime after the Spanish American War the good people of Wilmington began to realize that there was a need for a fire department. Just who is not the subject of this story, but it is quite probable that Charles Osborn and Milton Holt had as much to do with the idea as did Caleb. It is also quite probable that each of these men had their friends who talked up the subject.

Caleb had many North Wilmington Frenchmen, as the term went, working in his tannery, and many of these people were with him, in organizing a fire department. Louis Doucette, the Croteau family, and the Babine fami-

ly among others, all undoubtedly were behind Caleb.

Caleb had a baseball team, in his tannery, and he organized a fire company, and so, the story goes, once a year the whole company would go to Boston on the train, to have dinner in some Italian restaurant in the North End of Boston. The trips to Boston started about 1902. One trip was to a restaurant on Cape Ann. Caleb paid the bills, so it is said.

And, in the summer of 1902 Milton Holt's daughter took a picture of Company 2, Wilmington Fire Department. Milton Holt was the Wilmington postmaster; his daughter, Mildred was a very capable photographer. The picture which she took, reproduced here, is the oldest known picture of any known to exist of the Fire Department of Wilmington.

It is to be guessed that each man paid for his own uniform. Possibly Caleb paid for it. He gave the land where the wagons were kept, off Middlesex Avenue, where his tannery was located.

And, one bright, sunny day, maybe in 1902 - 75 years ago, Caleb and the men of the North Wilmington Volunteer Fire Department lined up, off Middlesex Avenue, for a picture.

The site of the picture is near the present Shady Lane Drive. There is a shed in the background which was, 60

years ago, in back of what is now the Century Shop. There are lilacs, to the left of the picture.

Maybe that picture was taken in 1902. There is a note on back, which has that date. Maybe it was taken in 1904, maybe 1906. There is another picture, with the men wearing the same uniforms, and there are the fire wagons in the second picture. Those fire wagons were purchased in 1903.

Anyway, it is a nice picture of the firemen, and it shows, among other things, the sidewalk which the town built, back about 1902, all the way from Main Street to Salem Street.

There was a North Wilmington company in 1902. They used their own wagons, and their own shovels and axes and whatever a fireman uses to put out a fire. Perhaps it is well to talk of the 1903 town meetings.

Senator Clark was the Moderator. Chester lived in the big white house on the corner of Clark Street and Middlesex Avenue. In the annual meeting Charles B. Osborn was appointed Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, and Crieb was appointed the Assistant Chief Engineer. Mr. Osborn, incidentally, was the rural mail carrier out of the Wilmington Post Office. He had a "democratic" carriage, with a rubber sheet in front that had holes for the reins to go through, when it rained.

Osborn and Milt Holt, the Postmaster, and Caleb and others were hot for a fire department, but Caleb was also on a committee that was after a new town hall. With him were

Jim Kelley, and John T. Wild, Harold Horton and Ed Nelson Eames. The Town Meeting accepted their report, and almost appropriated money for a town hall, until somebody got talking about the need for a new high school. That was the end, at that time, of hopes for a new town hall.

Later, in a town meeting on July 13 the town voted on recommendation of Osborn, Harriman and Holt, to buy some apparatus for the purpose of fighting fires. Two Hose Combination Engines, and two Hose Wagons were purchased, one of each for Wilmington Center and one of each for North Wilmington. That was the first apparatus bought for the Wilmington Fire Department.

There was a recommendation to dig some "fire wells" around town, but the town meeting did not buy that. There was also a recommendation for a "signal system" which was also passed over. Later that year the town meeting voted to put a telephone in at the home of Charlie Osborn, mail carrier and chief engineer. It cost the town \$7.50 a year.

Caleb and his crew, many of whom worked for him, set to work and built a fire station - and this without a town vote. It was built opposite to the "Shamrock" - at the edge of the Dymo (Photon) parking lot today, near the Shell Station in North Wilmington.

Later, next year or so, there was a vote to build a fire station in North Wilmington. Caleb and his Frenchmen had beaten the town meeting to the draw. They already

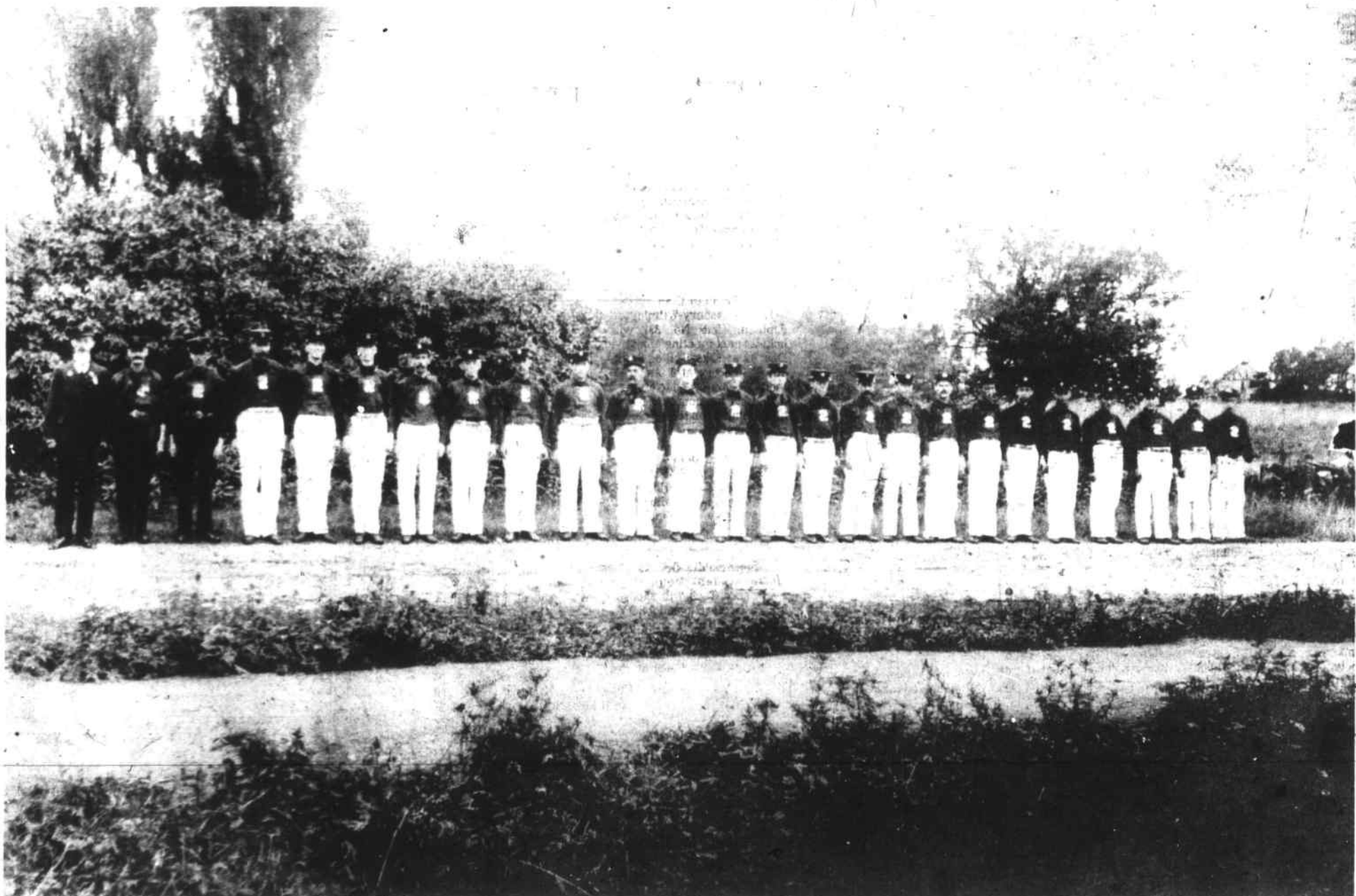
had it, and the money voted merely paid them for the work they had already done.

Harry Cutter, a Tewksbury resident of a few years past, once identified some of the people in the picture for the Town Crier. Harry identified Caleb, Capt. Joseph Hill, Lt. Almon Thompson, Owen Roche, Clarence Carter, Harry Cutter, Linwood Smith and Forest Buck. Number 12, he said, was Harris Haley, and 13 was Fred Wells.

In the companion picture, not shown, which the Town Crier at one time believed to have been taken on July 4, 1906, others were identified. In front of the pumper (now in the garage of Jerry Duggan, on Butters Row) were John W. Durkee, Henry Croteau, Arthur Surrence, Lawrence Babine, Harris Haley, J. Ellis Doucette, Louis Doucette, James White and Lt. Almon Thompson.

On the Hose Wagon were Mike McMahon, Harry Cutter, Forest Buck, Owen Roach, Mark Babine, Clarence Carter, Raymond White, Barney Doucette, Linwood Smith and Sunny Surrence.

It is safe to say that most, if not all of these persons were in the group photographed in front of those lilac bushes about 75 years ago.



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Library acquires museum pass to Essex Institute

Free passes to the Museum of the Essex Institute in Salem are now available at Wilmington Memorial Library. The pass card entitles a group of six persons to visit the museum facility free of charge. The Essex Institute is one of the oldest and largest historical societies in the United States. The museum's collection includes Essex County art, furnishings, and memorabilia.

The Wilmington Library also provides free museum passes to the Museum of Science, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Transportation and the Boston Children's Zoo. These passes are available on a first-come, first-served basis and can be reserved by contacting the Reference Librarian at the Library.

Bits & Pieces

Christmas party

The Tewksbury-Wilmington Emblem Club No. 381 will hold its Christmas party on Dec. 19 at Elks Hall. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a ham dinner followed by dancing to live music. Santa Claus will attend. Members and guests are invited. Reservations at \$3.50 per person may be made by calling Rita Fortier at 651-7964.

Back home

Mrs. Martha Woodside of 122 Aldrich Rd., Wilmington has returned home following a month's stay at Winchester Hospital.

Bloodmobile Dec. 15

The student council of Shawsheen Tech will sponsor a Red Cross Bloodmobile on Thursday, Dec. 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Additional information may be obtained by calling Paul Smith at the school.

Mystic Valley board meeting

The Mystic Valley Mental Retardation Sub-committee of the Area Board will hold its monthly meeting on Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of Choate Memorial Hospital, 21 Warren Avenue, Woburn.

During the course of the meeting the Sub-committee will solicit questions and concerns from citizens about mental retardation services in Woburn, Wilmington, Lexington, Arlington, Burlington and Winchester and the Mystic Valley Area.



Contest winner

Nancy Lee Murphy of 469 Salem Street North Wilmington was one of the contest winners, in the Thanksgiving Essay contest.

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tunes of a wandering fiddler. A special treat, an old-time game room, will keep the children entertained while a slide showing of photographs of "Wilmington Yesterday" and a "History of Christmas Celebration" is presented. Handmade gifts as well as

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History records that the Tewksbury men assembled at the church at Tewksbury center, for the march to Concord, where they took part in the battle at Meriam's Corner, with Billerica and Wilmington Minutemen. It would be nice to say that they used the home of Jonathan Brown in which to warm themselves, on that fateful morning.

Such was not the case. Colonel Jonathan Brown, in 1780 was living in what was later called the Deacon Foster House, which stood where the Tewksbury Methodist Church stands today.

The family of Colonel Brown is one of which any community may be proud, and two communities can share in that honor, for while he and his forebears were Tewksbury residents, his son was the physician who owned what is now called the Harnden Tavern, in Wilmington.

Dr. Silas Brown, son of Colonel Brown, lived in the Harnden Tavern with his family for about 45 years.

His son, Dr. Jonathan Brown, returned to Tewksbury, and was the first physician to be at what is now the Tewksbury Hospital. Dr. Jonathan Brown served in the Union Army, in the Civil War, in the Peninsular Campaign of 1862 and then the Seven Days before Richmond. He was a surgeon, serving with Gen. McClellan. He became afflicted with an illness, probably malaria, and was sent back to Tewksbury. Dr. Brown did not live long after the Civil War was over.



**Jonathan Brown
Tavern**

An old farmhouse that stood where the Methodist Church of Tewksbury is today, at Foster's Corner. It was dismantled in 1958 to make way for the church. This was the home of Colonel Jonathan Brown before he moved to the Tewksbury Center area. It was also known as the 1721 house.

In 1900 when this picture was taken it was the home of Deacon Enoch Warren Foster.

In the picture are J.C. Sillman, a conductor for the Boston & Maine; Adolph B. Moore; Ethel Foster, later Mrs. Ethel Hallett and the mother of James F. Hallett, and her mother, Mrs. Lucy Lillian Foster.

The original picture is the property of James F. Hallett.

Colonel Brown was descended from a family which had lived in what is now Tewksbury for over 100 years. The tradition is that he is descended from a family that had a farm on the banks of the Shawshen River in the 1660s.

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Larrabee Sunday

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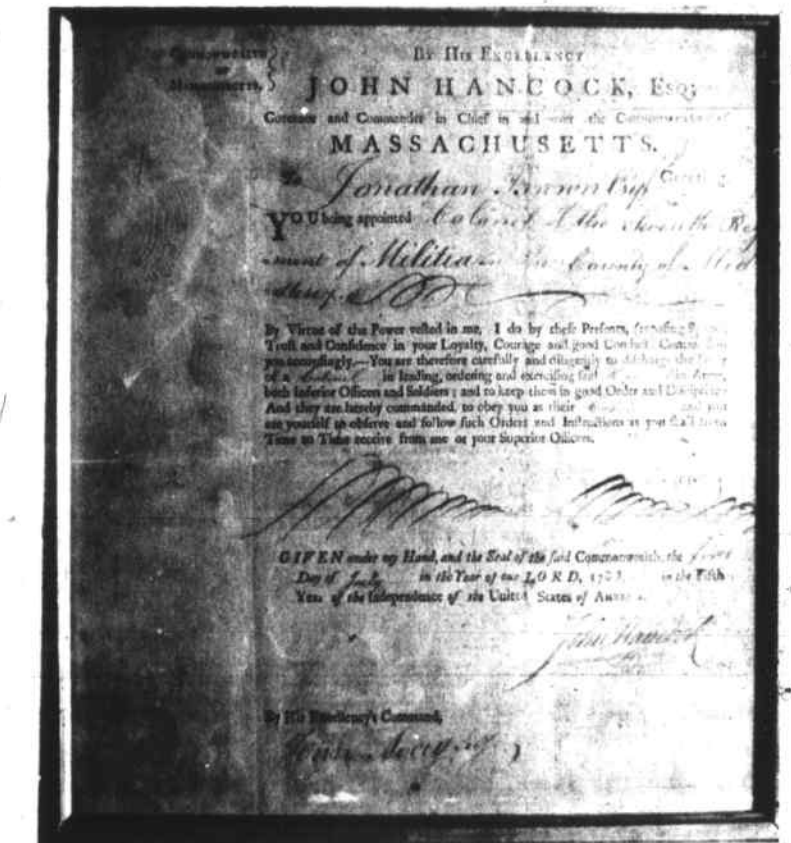
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